

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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: COMPENSATION CONTRACT SUPPORTING SYSTEM, METHOD FOR

SUPPORTING COMPENSATION CONTRACT, AND PROGRAM THEREOF

## **ELECTION WITH TRAVERSE**

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

For

In reply to the outstanding Office Action mailed April 2, 2007, reconsideration of the aboveidentified patent application is respectfully requested in view of the remarks on the pages that follow.

This Response is being timely filed since the Office Action sets a one-month shortened statutory period not expiring until May 2, 2007. Applicant respectfully petitions for a one-month extension of time enclosing the fee herein, making the Response due on June 4, 2007 (June 2, 2007 being a Saturday). The Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fees in connection therewith or any fees necessary to preserve the pendency of this application or credit any overpayment to deposit account No. 50-2929, making reference to Attorney Docket No. P13205.

In the Official Action of April 2, 2002, the Examiner indicated that all claims (1-20) were subject to restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121. The Examiner indicated that the inventions were